

Leads Charge to Save NUMMI Auto Plant

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In Case You Missed It – Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi Leads Charge to Save NUMMI Auto Plant

20,000 to 35,000 California Jobs on the Line

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[YouTube:](#) Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi at NUMMI Rally

“Send a message that California is going to keep this plant; we’re going to continue to operate here.”

[KPIX CBS 5](#): NUMMI Workers Fight to Keep Plant Open

"And here's the message to Washington DC: help us, help us work, keep us on the lines," said Lieutenant Governor Garamendi.

[KTVU Fox 2](#) : Workers, Politicians Rally To Save NUMMI Plant

"We can build electric cars. We can build hybrid cars, said Lt. Governor Garamendi. This is California. We want that help here in California."

When asked if he thought that Toyota had made a final decision, Garamendi replied that he felt the company was "negotiating."

[KCBS](#): Advocates Want Federal Funds for NUMMI

Lt. Governor John Garamendi is also asking the federal government to help. "It takes a little helping hand, it takes a little helping hand from Washington D.C.," he declared.

Garamendi points to the federal funding for GM, Ford and Chrysler. "The Obama Administration put together a package of benefits for General Motors, the new General Motors, put together a package of benefits for Ford Motor Company and for Chrysler. \$3 billion to build automobiles somewhere else," said Garamendi. "Here's the message, Mr. President, give California part of that and we'll build automobiles right here in Fremont."

[KGO ABC 7](#) : State Leaders To Join Workers At NUMMI

"Hey Toyota, this is your biggest market. Don't upset California, don't lose 35,000 jobs here in the state," said Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi.

[KCRA NBC 3](#): Hundreds Rally For NUMMI Jobs

Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi, chair of the California Commission for Economic Development, came out to give his support.

“Toyota, here’s the message to Sacramento and here’s the message to Washington DC. Help us, help us work, keep us on the lines, and we will produce the automobiles of the future.”

[KLIV Silicon Valley News](#): Union Rally Held At NUMMI

“Garamendi says that NUMMI's economic impact extends far beyond the plant's workers. 4,700 people at the plant, 35,000 across the state, and 1,186 businesses across the state depend on the output of the plant.

Garamendi says the Legislature and Governor Schwarzenegger need to act quickly if they want to save NUMMI. He called for the state and Federal government to lay down a series of tax incentives and stimulus. It's particularly important for the legislature to move quickly before they go to recess in the next few weeks.

[San Francisco Business Times](#) : Leaders, workers rally at Calif. Toyota plant

"We are sending a message today that California will keep this plant," John Garamendi, the state's lieutenant governor, thundered into the microphone to the loud approval of the crowd. "We are sending a message to Toyota, to Sacramento and to Washington, D.C., that NUMMI workers want to stay working on these production lines. The hardest workers in the world are in California."

[San Francisco Examiner](#) : Nummi employees protest possible Toyota plant closure

"This is the message to Toyota, this is the message to Sacramento and this is the message to Washington, D.C. Help us. Help us. Keep us on the lines...and we will produce the automobiles of the future." That was the call to action from Lt. Governor John Garamendi today in a rally at the United Auto Worker's Union Headquarters' to save the Nummi Auto Plant from a possible closure.

[San Jose Mercury News](#) : NUMMI workers will hold rally to keep plant open

Garamendi said Monday that the fight to keep the NUMMI plant open in Fremont "is far, far from over."

Garamendi said he supports a package of bills in the California Legislature that aim to provide incentives for Toyota to keep the NUMMI plant in Fremont.

Garamendi said he also thinks federal stimulus funds should be used to encourage Toyota to keep the plant open.